

RE: Remainder of FOIA request 09-FOI-00460-10

Kim Muratore to: Brower, Neill Cc: Kelly Manheimer, Michael Massey 06/08/2011 08:38 PM

Mr. Brower-

I'm sending you via mail a CD with the documents on it (see below). The email system couldn't handle the size of the attachments.

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06/08/2011 03:13 PM

Cc: Michael Massey, Kelly Manheimer

Mr. Brower-

Attached are the documents (one is partially redacted) that are being released to you following the conclusion of the CBI substantiation process involving certain LABP documents you requested under FOIA number 09-FOI-00460-10. The redactions are made pursuant to 40 C.F.R. 2.205(c). Given the length of time that the substantiation process has taken, EPA has decided to waive the normal FOIA charges and you will not be billed for these document copies.

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Kim Muratore

My best guess is within 2-3 weeks, by the time h. 03/03/2011 01:31:50 PM

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Kim Muratore/R9/USEPA/US

To:

"Brower, Neill" < NBrower@JMBM.com>

Date:

03/03/2011 01:31 PM

Subject:

RE: Remainder of FOIA request 09-FOI-00460-10

My best guess is within 2-3 weeks, by the time he runs his decision through the management chain. But it's only a guess.

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"Brower, Neill"

Thank you, Ms. Muratore. Do you have any sens....

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Kim Muratore to: Michael Massey

03/08/2011 01:40 PM

Hi Mike-

Mr. Brower is getting anxious for a determination on the SFV/NH LABP FOIA substantiation. You asked for the document(s) which are subject to the substantiation. The document is way too big to give you a pdf of (3,000+ pages) but you can easily find it in SDMS. It is document #2109288 (07/26/06 104(e) response). Buried in the back end of Mr. Meyer's letter of 01/31/11 is Exhibit "A" (that portion of the 07/26/06 response which LABP is still claiming as confidential). Each item listed in Exhibit A is easily identifiable in the SDMS by either page number of the letter or BATES number, so it's easy to see the portions of this document for which the CBI claims are made. The only exception is that LABP is also claiming as CBI the 11/16/10 letter to us from Greenwald et al that re-lists these items it wants to claim as CBI. I didn't see that letter in SDMS but I think you were emailed a copy of it. Let me know if you need anything else.

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Date:

03/03/2011 12:44 PM

Subject:

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Mr. Brower-

LABP submitted its substantiation which our attorney, Mr. Massey, is finishing analyzing. He has requested a couple of documents that I'm in the process of providing him, then he should be able to come to a determination.

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Ms. Muratore:

What is the status of the LABP's substantiation of its CBI claim?

Thank you,

---Neill Brower

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Sent: Thursday, December 09, 2010 11:52 AM

To: Brower, Neill

Subject: RE: Remainder of FOIA request 09-FOI-00460-10

Hello Mr. Brower-

I've mailed you a CD today that contains the 06/28/06 LABP 104(e) response in its entirety and a redacted version of the 07/26/06 response. I'm also attaching a copy of the request for substantiation letter to counsel for LABP that was mailed out this morning.

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12/01/2010 01:53 PM

Subject:

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Ms. Muratore:

Thank you for the information. Would you please provide the 6/28/06 response and a redacted version of the 7/26/06 response, and also initiate a substantiation process with LABP for the claimed CBI portions of the 7/26/06 response?

Thank you,

---Neill Brower

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To: Brower, Neill

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Mr. Brower-

As you may recall, there were two documents that we had not released that were responsive to your FOIA request # 09-FOI-00460-10; these include LABP's 104(e) responses dated 06/28/06 and 07/26/06. We have been in touch with counsel for LABP and they have agreed to rescind their claim of CBI for the 104(e) response dated 06/28/06, and for most of the response dated 07/26/06. The portion of the 104(e) response dated 07/26/06 that LABP wishes to retain confidentiality for is listed below (sorry about the large type--it's cut and pasted from a pdf letter and I don't know how to reduce the font size). If you are willing to accept a version of the 07/26/06 letter that redacts the items listed below, please reply by email, and I will consider that your FOIA request has been amended to accept the non-cbi claimed portions of the 07/26/06 letter and can send the 06/28/06 letter and redacted 07/26/06 letter out to you with no further delay. I will try to send them by email but the two 104(e) responses are quite large so they may

reject, in which case I will mail you a disk containing pdf copies of the two letters. If you choose to contest the continued CBI claim for that portion of the 07/26/06 letter noted below, then we will need to go through the substantiation process with LABP. Please advise.

- 1. Pages 6-9 of 15 of the letter d Montes, of Greenwald, Hoffman, Meyer & Mc EPA, Region 9, consisting of the Los Angeles Angeles By-Products Insurance Information.
- 2. <u>Bates Numbered</u> Pages 4501-4 lease agreements);
- 3. <u>Bates Numbered</u> Pages 5249-5 the Proposed Strathern Sanitary Landfill);
- 4. <u>Bates Numbered</u> Pages 6705-Landfill Gas Recovery System).

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January 31, 2011

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Dear Mr. Massey and Ms. Muratore:

In order to proceed in an orderly fashion, given the voluminous amount of documents that we released from privilege claims, pursuant to Cal-Mat's FOIA request, we have attached as Exhibit "A", the documents by category that still remain in contention. Exhibit "A" also reflects the page number and tab number (where applicable) pursuant to our original Table of Contents attached hereto as Exhibit "B".

Since the same arguments are applicable to a broad category such as "leases" we will treat this category as a whole, rather than address each individual item. All of the General Objections, challenges and specifically asserted privileges contained in LA By Products responses of June 14, 2006, July 26, 2006, June 28, 2006, and November 10, 2010, are incorporated herein.

Volume 9 p. 4501-4710 - Tab 80-93 <u>Lease Agreements</u>

1. LA By Products leases contain confidential, propriety information that is protected (such as lease payments) and impact third parties (lessees). There is presently no litigation between LA By Products and EPA or Cal-Mat. Cal-Mat has not brought a contribution action and/or a third party action at any time, and

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there have been no allegations or information that a lessee used or released hazardous materials. Thus, the contents of the lease agreements are irrelevant and should remain permanently confidential and only upon litigation by Cal-Mat (or any PRP) will this issue be reconsidered.

- 2. Not applicable. The Lease Agreements and their contents will not become "stale over time". This information will remain the same.
- 3. LA By Products has only released this information to a governmental body (EPA) and pursuant to litigation. Otherwise, the Lease Agreements have been deemed confidential and only discoverable in the event of litigation.
- 4. Not applicable. None of the information contained in the Lease Agreements or the Lease Agreements themselves have been made publicly have been publicly available by Internet, databases, promotional publications, annual reports or articles. There is no means by which a member of the public could obtain access to the information. This is not the kind of information that LA By Products would customarily release to the public. In addition, any such disclosure could interfere with sales or lease of the properties and result in third party interference with business relations.
- 5. Not applicable.
- 6. The release of LA By Products lease agreements (and specific terms of each lease) is likely to cause substantial harm to their competitive position for the following reasons: these lease agreements range from 1965 to 2002 and depict LA By Products confidential dealings with third party lessees over a forty year period. They contain payment information and contractual terms which are the subject of confidential negotiations between LA By Products and its respective lessees. The Lease Agreements contain confidential financial information and also represent LA By Products willingness under certain individual circumstances to accept certain terms and conditions upon leasing and sub-leasing its properties, thus exposing LA By Products' practices to its competitors and potentially giving them a competitive edge.
- 7. The information was originally submitted on a mandatory basis pursuant to a 104(e) Request. However, EPA had previously obtained this information and has been in possession of it since 1994 without releasing it to third parties.
- 8. All privileges contained in the June 14, 2006, June 28, 2006, July 26, 2006, and November 10, 2010, letters are reasserted herein.

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Insurance Policies

(Letter dated July 26, 2006, from Raul Montes, Greenwald, Hoffman, Meyer & Montes, LLP, pages 9-11 of 15)

- 1. LA By Products insurance policies are privileged in that there is no litigation between LA By Products and EPA or Cal-Mat. These insurance policies are confidential, propriety information not subject to disclosure. Cal-Mat has not brought a contribution action and/or a third party action at anytime. The disclosure of this information by EPA could lead to frivolous litigation by third parties and thus, is prejudicial to EPA in the event of future litigation. The insurance policy list and its contents should remain permanently confidential and only upon litigation by Cal Mat or (or any PRP) will this issue be reconsidered. Any insurance information is discoverable only in the event of and for litigation purposes.
- 2. Not applicable. The insurance policy list and their contents will not become "stale over time". This information will remain the same.
- 3. LA By Products has only released this information to a governmental body (EPA) and pursuant to litigation. Otherwise, the list of insurance policies and the policies themselves are deemed confidential.
- 4. Not applicable. None of this information, LA By Products insurance policies, have been made publicly available whatsoever, not by the internet, data bases, promotional publications, annual reports or articles. There is no means by which a member of the public could obtain access to this information. This not the kind of information that LA By Products would customarily release to the public.
- 5. Not applicable.
- 6. The release of the list of LA By Products' insurance policies and accompanying confidential information may result in harmful effects, including but not limited to the following harmful effects: this release will result in unnecessary, unwarranted litigation, will prejudice LA By Products position in any future litigation and/or settlement. In addition, any release constitutes interference with third party business and fiduciary relations.

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- 7. The information was originally submitted on a mandatory basis pursuant to a 104(e) Request. However, EPA had previously obtained this information and has been in possession of it since 1994 without releasing it to third parties.
- 8. All privileges contained in the June 14, 2006, June 28, 2006, July 26, 2006, and November 10, 2010, letters are reasserted herein.

Letter from US EPA - - December 31, 1996 Pacific Energy (Volume 9, Page 4498, Tab 79)

- 1. This letter is irrelevant as the subject matter involved one unverified complaint against a former tenant of LA By Products. There is no causal connection between this letter and LA By Products actions at the Penrose Landfill. The disclosure of this information is misleading and irrelevant. It also places LA By Products properties in a false light and creates a stigma. The disclosure of this letter is highly prejudicial as it is outdated and suggests "odors" when LA By Products has been in compliance with air quality regulations. This letter should remain permanently privileged as irrelevant, lacking foundation and without evidentiary value.
- 2. Not applicable. The contents of the letter are already "stale", irrelevant and outdated. The information contained therein will remain the same.
- 3. LA By Products has only released this information to EPA which already had in its possession.
- 4. Not applicable. LA By Products is unaware of any public disclosure of this letter.
- 5. Not applicable. LA By Products is unaware of any public disclosure of this letter.
- 6. This letter is irrelevant as the subject matter involved one unverified complaint against a former tenant of LA By Products. There is no causal connection between this letter and LA By Products actions at the Penrose Landfill. The disclosure of this information is misleading and irrelevant. It also places LA By Products properties in a false light and creates a stigma. The disclosure of this letter is highly prejudicial as it is outdated and suggests "odors" when LA By Products has been in compliance with air quality regulations. This letter should remain permanently privileged as irrelevant, lacking foundation and

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without evidentiary value. This letter is privileged in that there is no litigation between LA By Products and EPA or Cal-Mat. Cal-Mat has not brought a contribution action and/or a third party action at anytime. The disclosure of this information by EPA could lead to frivolous litigation by third parties and thus, is prejudicial to EPA in the event of future litigation. The disclosure of this letter may result in unnecessary, unwarranted litigation. It will damage LA By Products ability to sell and/or lease its properties. It will place LA By Products properties in false light and create a stigma.

- 7. Not applicable. EPA has been in possession of this letter.
- 8. All privileges contained in the June 14, 2006, June 28, 2006, July 26, 2006, and November 10, 2010, letters are reasserted herein.

Volume 10 Report of Geotechnical Investigation Proposed Strathern Sanitary Landfill (p. 5249, Tab 3) (hereinafter "Report")

- 1. Permanent Disclosure. Strathern landfill is not the subject of EPA's prior 1996 litigation and settlement, nor is the landfill presently listed as a site.
- 2. This report is presently stale. The Report was commissioned on November 3, 1981, as a proposal for Strathern landfill to become a sanitary landfill. Since Strathern became a solid, inert landfill the Report has no relevance and should be permanently treated as confidential. Simply put, the Report is about a proposed project that never occurred.
- 3. This Report has only been disclosed to the EPA.
- 4. The Report is not publicly available. There are no known means by which a member of the public could obtain access to the information. This information is not of a kind that would customarily be released to the public.
- 5. Not applicable.
- 6. The release of the Report would cause substantial harm to LA By Products since it would be highly misleading. As previously stated, this report was commissioned to explore the option of the Strathern property becoming a

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sanitary landfill. Since this never occurred, LA By Products would be placed in a false light and exposed to potential frivolous litigation.

- 7. The information was originally submitted on a mandatory basis pursuant to a 104(e) Request. However, EPA had previously obtained this information and has been in possession of it since 1994 without releasing it to third parties.
- 8. All privileges contained in the June 14, 2006, June 28, 2006, July 26, 2006, and November 10, 2010, letters are reasserted herein.

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By:

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Re:

General Notice Letter/104(e) for the San Fernando Valley/North

Hollywood Superfund Site North Hollywood, California

Dear Ms. Muratore:

In further response to the information request contained in your General Notice Letter dated April 25, 2006, Los Angeles By-Products Co. submits the following preliminary information, together with continuing general objections, which are enclosed herewith.

I would also like to confirm your receipt of the information previously submitted under cover dated May 31, 2006. If you are not in receipt of the previously submitted information, please advise the undersigned.

The next set of responses to the requests for information will be due on June 28, and the final group would be due July 12, 2006.

ery truly yours,

Raul M. Montes

General Objections To General Notice Letter (104(e)) And To Definitions Applicable To Appendix D; To Enclosure D: Information Request And To All Contents Therein

"The Company" (as defined by EPA) and "Responding Party" shall be used interchangeably herein. Responding Party hereby raises a continuing objection to each and every Request for Information ("Request") contained in General Notice Letter/104(e) for the San Fernando Valley/North Hollywood Superfund site. Rather than repeat each objection for each request, Responding Party objects on the following grounds, including but not limited to, the Requests are overly broad; not reasonably limited in scope and time; are vague, ambiguous and uncertain, lack reasonable particularity; are burdensome and oppressive; and have been previously asked and answered. Responding Party hereby reserves its right to raise other objections, including but not limited to attorney-client privilege, attorney work-product doctrine and any other privileges, to the fullest extent provided by law.

Responding Party reserves the right to challenge the constitutionality and/or legality of each and every Request contained therein and to the entire contents of the General Notice Letter.

Responding Party is presently not engaged in litigation with EPA and therefore, these responses are made without prejudice to Responding Party's rights to present additional documents in the future, whether it be prior to any litigation and/or further proceedings in this action or as evidence at trial.

Responding Party, while complying with EPA's timetables, has not had the opportunity for conferring, adjudicating or otherwise limiting, modifying any of the Requests. Therefore, further investigation and/or discovery may lead to additions to, changes in and variations from the responses herein set forth. The responses are given without prejudice to Responding Party's ability to produce evidence of any subsequently discovered documents or facts and to change any and all responses herein, and/or to seek any limitations, challenges, and modifications of each and every Request. Responding Party also reserves its rights to challenge any and all Requests on privacy and/or confidentiality grounds at any time herein. Such reservations and challenges are applicable to the "Definitions applicable to Appendix D".

These General Objections are applicable to any and all Responses submitted to the EPA by Responding Party, including its first set of Responses.

If Responding Party becomes a defendant or party to any future litigation, Responding Party reserves its rights to seek any protective orders, modification orders and/or any available protections with regard to each and every Request.

Responses to Information Request

- 33. So far as it is known, there were and are no hazardous material business plans and chemical inventory forms for any of the Facilities submitted to city, county, and state agencies.
- 35. So far as it is known, no chemicals or hazardous substances were used at the Hewitt Pit Facility during the Company's operations at the Facility.
- 36. So far as it is known, no chemicals or hazardous substances were used at the Tuxford Facility during the Company's ownership or operations at the Facility.
- 51. The Company has no information indicating any discharge of any waste stream to the sewer at the Hewitt Pit Facility during the Company's operations at the Facility. So far as it is known, the Company did not have any sewer connection at that Facility and there were no permits or analyses during the Company's operations at the Facility.
- 52. The Company has no information indicating any discharge of any waste stream to the sewer at the Tuxford Facility during the Company's ownership or operations at the Facility. So far as it is known, the Company did not have any sewer connection at that Facility and there were no permits or analyses during the Company's ownership or operations at the Facility!
- 54. So far as it is known, the Company did not generate any waste streams at the Hewitt Pit Facility during the Company's operations at the Facility.
- 55. So far as it is known, the Company did not generate any waste streams at the Tuxford Facility during the Company's ownership or operations at the Facility.
- 57. So far as it is known, the Company did not generate any waste streams at the Hewitt Pit Facility during the Company's operations at the Facility.
- 58. So far as it is known, the Company did not generate any waste streams at the Tuxford Facility during the Company's ownership or operations at the Facility.
- 60. So far as it is known, the Company did not remove waste streams from sumps at the Hewitt Pit Facility during the Company's operations at the Facility.

- 61. So far as it is known, the Company did not remove waste streams from sumps at the Tuxford Facility during the Company's ownership or operations at the Facility.
- 63. So far as it is known, during the Company's operations at the Hewitt Pit Facility, no wastes were stored for shipment for disposal at the Facility.
- 64. So far as it is known, during the Company's operations at the Tuxford Facility, no wastes were stored for shipment for disposal at the Facility during the Company's ownership or operations at the Facility.
- 66. So far as it is known, during the Company's operations at the Hewitt Pit Facility, there were no leaks, spills or other releases into the environment of any hazardous substances or pollutants or contaminants that occurred at or from the Hewitt Pit Facility.
- 67. So far as it is known, during the Company's ownership and or operations at the Tuxford Facility, there were no leaks, spills or other releases into the environment of any hazardous substances or pollutants or contaminants that occurred at or from the Tuxford Facility.
- 69. So far as it is known, there is no correspondence between the Company and local, state or federal authorities concerning the use, handling, or disposal of hazardous substances at the Hewitt Pit Facility.
- 70. So far as it is known, there is no correspondence between the Company and local, state or federal authorities concerning the use, handling, or disposal of hazardous substances at the Tuxford Facility.

The foregoing information is based upon a diligent review of the Company's records in its possession and control.

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Re:

General Notice Letter/104(e) for the San Fernando Valley/North

Hollywood Superfund Site North Hollywood, California

Dear Ms. Muratore:

In further response to the information request contained in your General Notice Letter dated April 25, 2006, Los Angeles By-Products Co. submits the enclosed preliminary information, together with a claim of confidentiality and continuing general objections, which are enclosed herewith. Los Angeles By-Products Co.'s responses, claim of confidentiality and continuing general objections are enclosed. However, due to the amount of documents being sent, they are being separately delivered by a common courier.

I would also like to confirm your receipt of the information previously submitted under cover dated June 14, 2006. If you are not in receipt of the previously submitted information, please advise the undersigned.

The final set of responses to the requests for information will be due on July 19, 2006, pursuant to agreement with Michael Massey on June 16, 2006.

Very truly yours,

Raul M. Montes

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General Objections To General Notice Letter (104(e))
And To Definitions Applicable To Appendix D; To Enclosure D:
Information Request And To All Contents Therein

"The Company" (as defined by EPA) and "Responding Party" shall be used interchangeably herein. Responding Party hereby raises a continuing objection to each and every Request for Information ("Request") contained in General Notice Letter/104(e) for the San Fernando Valley/North Hollywood Superfund site. Rather than repeat each objection for each request, Responding Party objects on the following grounds, including but not limited to, the Requests are overly broad; not reasonably limited in scope and time; are vague, ambiguous and uncertain, lack reasonable particularity; are burdensome and oppressive; and have been previously asked and answered. Responding Party hereby reserves its right to raise other objections, including but not limited to attorney-client privilege, attorney work-product doctrine and any other privileges, to the fullest extent provided by law.

Responding Party reserves the right to challenge the constitutionality and/or legality of each and every Request contained therein and to the entire contents of the General Notice Letter.

Responding Party is presently not engaged in litigation with EPA and therefore, these responses are made without prejudice to Responding Party's rights to present additional documents in the future, whether it be prior to any litigation and/or further proceedings in this action or as evidence at trial.

Responding Party, while complying with EPA's timetables, has not had the opportunity for conferring, adjudicating or otherwise limiting, modifying any of the Requests. Therefore, further investigation and/or discovery may lead to additions to, changes in and variations from the responses herein set forth. The responses are given without prejudice to Responding Party's ability to produce evidence of any subsequently discovered documents or facts and to change any and all responses herein, and/or to seek any limitations, challenges, and modifications of each and every Request. Responding Party also reserves its rights to challenge any and all Requests on privacy and/or confidentiality grounds at any time herein. Such reservations and challenges are applicable to the "Definitions applicable to Appendix D".

These General Objections are applicable to any and all Responses submitted to the EPA by Responding Party, including its first set of Responses.

If Responding Party becomes a defendant or party to any future litigation, Responding Party reserves its rights to seek any protective orders, modification orders and/or any available protections with regard to each and every Request.

Claim of Confidentiality

Applicable to the

Solid Waste Assessment Test Reports

and Other Reports Provided

Please see the accompanying Solid Waste Assessment Test Reports ("SWAT") documents. The company is stating a claim of confidentiality as stated in each of the following responses and pursuant to sections 104(e)(7)(E) and (F) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C., §9604(e)(7)(E) and (F), and Section 3007(b) of RCRA, 42 U.S.C. §6927(b), and 40 C.F.R. §2.203(b) and any other relevant and/or applicable Statutes.

The following confidentiality claims are applicable to each and every SWAT document:

SCAQMD - Penrose Reports

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$$2005 - 4^{th} Q - 1^{st} Q - 3^{rd} Q$$

2004 – 2nd Semi Annual GWMR – STRATH

2005 - GWMR - January - June

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2005 - GWMR-STRATH- July - December

2003 - GWMR - STRATH - 2nd Quarter

2003-GWMR – 4th Quarter- Annual Sum. STRATH

2002 – GWMR – STRATH- 4th Quarter & Ann. Sum

Monitor Well Redevelp. Well 4928C - 2003

2002 - GWMR - STRATH - 2nd Quarter

 $2001 - GWMR - 1^{st}$ Quarter - STRATH

 $2001 \quad \text{-} GWMR - STRATH - Annual$

 $2001-GWMR-STRATH-3^{rd}\ Quarter$

2000 - GWMR - STRATH - Ann. Sum

2000 - GWMR - STRATH - 1st Quarter

 $2000 - GWMR - STRATH - 3^{rd}$ Quarter

1999 – GWMR – STRATH – Ann. Report

1999 - GWMR - STRATH - 1st Quarter

1998 - GWMR - STRATH - Ann. Report

 $1998 - GWMR - STRATH - 3^{rd}$ quarter

1997 - GWMR - STRATH - 1st Quarter

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1996 - GWMR - STRATH - Ann. Report

1995 – GWMR – STRATH – 1st Quarter

1995 - GWMR - STRATH - Ann. Report

1994 - GWMR - STRATH - Ann. Report

1994 - GWMR - STRATH - 3rd Quarter

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1993 - GWMR - STRATH - Ann. Report

1992 - GWMR - STRATH - Ann. Report

1987 – GWMR – Penrose – 4th Ouarter

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SWAT – 1989 – Penrose/Newberry/STRATH

- (a) Entire document(s)
- (b) Confidential treatment permanently
- (c) Attorney client privilege; work product privilege; consultants' treatment of documents as confidential.
- (d) Only specific governmental agencies receive information, attorneys and consultants under work product and attorney client privilege.
- (e) Not applicable.
- (f) Yes. The Company asserts that the disclosure of information will likely result in substantial harmful effects to the Company's competitive position. Such effects would include, but not be limited to interference with third party business relationships, economic damage, stigma, libel and slander and false light. These possible effects should be viewed as substantial. Briefly, any dissemination of environmental testing could interfere with sales or lease of the properties or shed false light upon the property itself or result in a stigma

to the property. The information contained in the SWATS is subject to interpretation by qualified consultants and its improper dissemination would lead to the aforementioned consequences.

- (g) All of the contents of each SWAT have been stamped "Confidential":
- (h) Again, the SWAT reports fall under the attorney client work privilege and work product doctrine. To the extent that the SWAT report is submitted to any governmental agency, this information is not to be available for third party dissemination and is submitted by the Company solely for the purpose of compliance with certain governmental agencies.

"Legitimate means" of receiving information do not include EPA and/or its representatives turning over protected reports to any third parties.

Response to Information Request

- 7. The Company's operations at the Tuxford Facility during the period of time the Company operated at the Facility was limited to landfill operations until the landfill operations ceased and the landfill was closed. The landfill operations commence in approximately 1948 and continued until approximately 1955. So far as it is known, from 1955 to 1960, the Company's only activities at the Facility were in connection with complying with closure requirements of the regulatory agencies. So far as it is known, the Company did not conduct any operations at the Facility from 1960 to 1967 when it was sold to Sam Adlen. During the Company's landfill operations, only household refuse was accepted at the Facility.
- 24. The Company did not engage in the use of hazardous substances or disposal of wastes at the Penrose Facility, other than those wastes associated with the landfill operations. The Company does not otherwise have or had employees with knowledge of the use of hazardous substances and disposal of wastes at the Penrose Facility.
- 25. The Company did not engage in the use of hazardous substances or disposal of wastes at the Hewitt Pit Facility, other than those wastes associated with the landfill operations. The Company did not otherwise have employees with knowledge of the use of hazardous substances and disposal of wastes at the Hewitt Pit Facility.
- 26. The Company did not engage in the use of hazardous substances or disposal of wastes at the Tuxford Facility, other than those wastes associated with the landfill operations. The Company did not otherwise have employees with knowledge of the use of hazardous substances and disposal of wastes at the Tuxford Facility.
- 27. The Company estimates, at any given time, approximately 4 to 8 people were employed by the Company at the Penrose Facility. The only service performed by the Company at the Penrose Facility was and is landfill operations.
- 28. The Company estimates, at any given time, approximately 4 to 8 people were employed by the Company at the Hewitt Pit Facility. The only service performed by the Company at the Hewitt Pit Facility was landfill operations.

- 29. The Company estimates, at any give time, approximately 4 to 8 people were employed by the Company at the Tuxford Facility. The only service performed by the Company at the Tuxford Facility was landfill operations.
- 34. The Company did not use any chemicals or hazardous substances at the Penrose Facility. The Company does not have any Material Safety Data Sheets. So far as it is known, no chemical or hazardous substances were used at the Penrose Facility.
- 37. The Company did not use or transport to the Penrose Facility any volatile organic compounds. So far as it is known, no volatile organic compounds were used or transported to the Penrose Facility.
- 38. The Company did not use or transport to the Hewitt Pit Facility any volatile organic compounds. So far as it is known, no volatile organic compounds were used or transported to the Hewitt Pit Facility during the Company's operations at the Facility.
- 39. The Company did not use or transport to the Tuxford Facility any volatile organic compounds. So far as it is known, no volatile organic compounds were used or transported to the Tuxford Facility during the Company's ownership or operations at the Facility.
- 40. Copies of the requested information which is in the possession, custody or control of the Company is provided herewith.
- 43. Copies of the requested information which is in the possession, custody or control of the Company is provided herewith.
- 50. The Company did not discharge any of its waste stream to the sewer at the Penrose Facility.
- 56. The Company did not generate any waste streams at the Penrose Facility for transport to a disposal site.
- 59. The Company did not engage in the removal of waste streams from sumps at the Penrose Facility.
- 68. So far as it is known, there is no correspondence between the Company and local, state or federal authorities concerning the use, handling, or disposal of hazardous substances at the Penrose Facility.
- 72. The Company has never owned a facility known as the Blue Diamond Pit

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July 26, 2006

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The information being provided herewith completes the responses to the requests for information contained in your General Notice Letter dated April 25, 2006.

Although the information was originally agreed to be provided by July 19, 2006, Michael Massey allowed an additional week to respond.

Very truly yours,

Raul M. Montes

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General Objections To General Notice Letter (104(e)) And To Definitions Applicable To Appendix D; To Enclosure D: Information Request And To All Contents Therein

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and Other Reports Provided

Please see the accompanying Solid Waste Assessment Test Reports and related documents (herein referred to as "SWAT"). The company is stating a claim of confidentiality as stated in each of the following responses and pursuant to sections 104(e)(7)(E) and (F) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C., §9604(e)(7)(E) and (F), and Section 3007(b) of RCRA, 42 U.S.C. §6927(b), and 40 C.F.R. §2.203(b) and any other relevant and/or applicable Statutes.

The following confidentiality claims are applicable to each and every of the following SWAT documents:

Ground Water Monitoring Report Annual Report, 1985-86 Penrose Landfill

Ground Water Monitoring Report First Quarter, 1986 Penrose Landfill

Environmental Risk Analysis System Final Report, 29 January 1979 Penrose Pit Sanitary Landfill

Regional Water Quality Control Board April 17, 1987

Ground Water Monitoring Report Second Quarter, 1987 Penrose Landfill

Proposed Solid Waste Assessment Test Monitoring Program Tuxford Landfill Solid Waste Assessment Test Water Tuxford Landfill

Solid Waste Assessment Test Water Penrose and Newberry Landfills

Proposed Soled Waste Assessment Test Monitoring Program Tuxford Landfill

Report of Geotechnical Investigation Proposed Strathern Sanitary Landfill

Solid Waste Assessment Test Supplementary Monitoring Report Tuxford Landfill

Solid Waste Assessment Test Supplementary Monitoring Report Penrose and Newberry Landfills and Strathern Pit

Construction and Testing of Monitoring Wells Tuxford Landfill January 1989

Construction and Testing of Monitoring Wells Penrose and Newberry Landfills January 1989

Third Quarter 1999 Groundwater Monitoring Report Strathern Landfill

Second SWAT Supplemental Monitoring Report Tuxford Landfill December 17, 1990

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1996 Annual Report Groundwater Monitoring Strathern Landfill

Groundwater Monitoring Report Third Quarter 1996 Strathern Landfill

First Quarter 1996 Groundwater Monitoring Report Strathern Landfill

1995 Annual Report Groundwater Monitoring Strathern Landfill

Groundwater Monitoring Report First Quarter 1995 Strathern Landfill

Groundwater Monitoring Report Third Quarter 1994 Strathern Landfill

Groundwater Monitoring Report First Quarter 1994 Strathern Landfill

1994 Annual Report Groundwater Monitoring Strathern Landfill

Groundwater Monitoring Report First Quarter 1993 Strathern Landfill

Groundwater Monitoring Report Second Quarter 1993 Strathern Landfill Groundwater Monitoring Report Third Quarter 1993 Strathern Landfill

1993 Annual Report Groundwater Monitoring Strathern Landfill

- (a) Entire document(s)
- (b) Confidential treatment permanently
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Claim of Confidentiality

Applicable to the

Los Angeles By-Products Leases

Please see the accompanying leases, subleases, assignments, consents and other related documents between the Company and various parties (herein referred to as "Leases"). The company is stating a claim of confidentiality as stated in each of the following responses and pursuant to sections 104(e)(7)(E) and (F) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C., §9604(e)(7)(E) and (F), and Section 3007(b) of RCRA, 42 U.S.C. §6927(b), and 40 C.F.R. §2.203(b) and any other relevant and/or applicable Statutes.

The following confidentiality claims are applicable to each and every of the following Lease documents:

Lessor	Lessee	Date of Document:
Los Angeles By-Products Co.	The Flintkote Company	August 9, 1965
Los Angeles By-Products Co.	John Wells Golf Shop, Inc.	November 22, 1999
Los Angeles By-Products Co.	Karlton Spindle	September 2001
Karlton Spindle	Marvin V. Salazar	November 1, 2003
Harout Broutian	Ruben Santana & Danny Santana	December 9, 1999
Los Angeles By-Products Co.	Donald Phillips	June 1, 1993
Los Angeles By-Products Co.	A-1 Scrap, Inc.	February 24, 1984
Los Angeles By-Products Co.	A-1 Scrap, Inc.	April 1, 1990
Los Angeles By-Products Co.	Self Serve Auto Dismantlers & A-1 Metals Recycling, Inc.	April 1, 1990
Los Angeles By-Products Co.	Edward A. Borges	April 1, 2002
Los Angeles By-Products Co.	Owner Operator Ready Mix Concrete	April 1, 1995

Los Angeles By-Products Co.	Owner Operator Ready Mix Concrete	April 1, 1981
Los Angeles By-Products Co.	Le Valley Ready Mix Co.	April 1, 1964
Los Angeles By-Products Co.	Le Valley Ready Mix Co.	April 1, 1957
Los Angeles By-Products Co.	Cambrian Energy Systems, Inc.	December 8, 1982
Los Angeles By-Products Co.	Detroit Scrap, Inc	August 16, 1973
Arthur Kazarian	Los Angeles By-Products Co.	November 15, 1948
Los Angeles By-Products Co.	A.E. Schmidt Company	May 1966
Los Angeles By-Products Co.	Aetna Auto & Truck Dismantlers, Inc.	August 8, 1986
Los Angeles By-Products Co.	Skyline Concrete Sales Co.; Sun Valley Ready Mix Corp.; and Time Transportation Inc.	April 1, 1964
Consolidated Rock Products Co.	Los Angeles By-Products Co.	December 5, 1962
Graham Brothers, Incorporated	Los Angeles By-Products Co.	April 8, 1948
Los Angeles By-Products Co.	Sam Adlen and Dorothy Adlen	May 1, 1962
Los Angeles By-Products Co.	Sam Adlen and Dorothy Adlen	February 14, 1964
Los Angeles, By-Products Co.	J.E. Hooker	May 29, 1958

- (a) Entire lease agreements
- (b) Confidential treatment permanently
- (c) All leases treated as confidential business proprietary information available only to officers and attorneys for the Company.
- (d) Same as above
- (e) Not applicable
- (f) Yes. The Company claims that the disclosure of information will likely result in substantial harmful effects to the Company's competitive position. Such effects would include, but not be limited to interference with third party business relationships, economic damages, libel and slander. Briefly, these leases include confidential business proprietary information which, if disseminated could result in economic loss and/or damage to the Company.
- (g) All of the contents of each Lease document has been stamped "Confidential":
- (h) To reiterate, the Leases fall under protected business proprietary information. To the extent that any portion of any of the aforementioned listed Leases have been recorded, this information is not available for third party dissemination and has been memorialized solely as a Memorandum of Lease agreement as agreed upon by each party and its respective attorneys.

"Legitimate means" of receiving information does not include EPA and/or its representative turning over protected information to any third parties.

Claim of Confidentiality

Applicable to the

Los Angeles By-Products Insurance Information

Please see list of insurance carriers and accompanying policy information. The Company is stating a claim of confidentiality as stated in each of the following responses and pursuant to Sections 104(e) (7) (E) and (F) of CERCLA 42 U.S.C. §9604 (e) (7) (E) and (F), and Section 3007 9b) of RCRA, 42 U.S.C. §6927 (b), and 40 C.F.R. §2.203 (b) and any other relevant and applicable statutes.

Insurance Carrier	Policy Term	Policy Type/Policy No.'s
Travelers (Calvert Fire Insurance Co.)	11/17/75-11/17/76	CGL GLA625892
Bellefonte Underwriters	12/01/77-12/01/78	Primary CGL CAG227870
Allianz Insurance Co.	12/01/78-12/01/79	CGL GLA504257
	12/01/79-12/01/80	CGL Primary GLA504016
	12/01/80-12/01/81	CGL Policy GLA509159
Continental/ Harbor	06/01/68-06/01/65	Comprehensive Liability 100191
London Market Insurer (Lloyds of London)	04/06/53-04/03/56	PD Liability LL43140
	06/01/56-06/01/62	PD Liability LA58426
Agricultural Excess & Surplus	12/01/84-12/01/85	CGL Primary PR023996
	12/01/85-12/01/86	Primary CGL PL024245

Pacific Indemnity

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Comprehensive Liability
LAC12844

06/01/53-06/01/56

Comprehensive Liability
LAC70330

06/01/56-06/01/71

Comprehensive Liability
LAC93098

The following confidentiality claims are applicable to each and every insurance policy and to the list of insurance policies produced by the Company and which is confidential information protected by attorney-client privilege and work product doctrine.

- a) Entire document(s); list of insurance policies
- b) Permanent confidential treatment
- c) All insurance policies are treated as confidential business proprietary information and only available to officers, attorneys and the insurance broker for the company. The list of insurance policies is protected by attorney-client privilege and work product doctrine.
- d) Same as above.
- e) Not applicable.
- f) Yes. The Company claims and assets that the disclosure of such information will likely result in substantial harmful effects to the Company's competitive position. Such effects would include, but not be limited to interference with third party business relationships, and economic damages. The dissemination of such insurance information will leave the Company vulnerable to claims, including frivolous claims by third parties based on the mistaken belief that coverage is automatically available and afforded under these policies. The Company will also suffer from the tort of "false light" by dissemination of its insurance policy information. Briefly, these insurance policies are confidential, business proprietary information, which if disseminated may result in economic loss and or damages to the Company.
- g) The list of insurance policies and the information regarding each policy being provided by the Company is stamped "Confidential".

h) To reiterate, the Company's insurance policies fall under protected business proprietary information. The Company, through its attorneys, is willing to negotiate an appropriate confidentiality agreement, prior to production of any of the insurance policies requested. Meanwhile, in good faith, the Company is presenting a list of insurance policies that may respond to an environmental claim. This list is not available for dissemination to third parties.

"Legitimate means" of receiving information does not include EPA and/or its representatives contacting any of the insurance carriers directly. Such contact will constitute interference with business relations.

Response to Information Request

5 The Company's operations at the Penrose landfill portion of the Penrose Facility during the period of time the Company operated at the Penrose landfill was limited to landfill operations until the landfill operations ceased. The landfill operations commence in approximately 1961 and continued until approximately 1985. Only non-hazardous household rubbish, construction materials and dirt were accepted at the Penrose landfill.

In 1982, a methane gas collections system was installed on behalf of the Company.

Since 1982, the Company's operations have consisted of leasing portions of the site.

The Company's operations at the Strathern landfill portion of the Penrose Facility during the period of time the Company operated at the Strathern landfill has been limited to landfill operations. The landfill operations commence in approximately 1992 and have continued to date. Only solid inert materials are accepted at the Strathern landfill.

The Company's operations at the Newberry landfill portion of the Penrose Facility during the period of time the Company operated at the Newberry landfill were limited to landfill operations until the landfill operations ceased. The landfill operations commence in approximately 1948 and continued until approximately 1955. Only non-hazardous household rubbish, construction materials and dirt were accepted at the Newberry landfill.

In approximately 1974, a methane gas collections system was installed on behalf of the Company.

The Company's operations since closure of the landfill have consisted of leasing portions of the site.

6. The Company's operations at the Hewitt Pit Facility during the period of time the Company operated at the Facility was limited to landfill operations until the landfill operations ceased and the landfill was closed. The landfill operations commenced in approximately 1963 and continued until approximately 1979. During the Company's landfill operations, only non-hazardous household rubbish and solid inert materials were accepted at the Facility.

A methane gas collections system was installed on behalf of the Company.

- The name and address, so far as it is known to the Company, of each tenant during the period of time the Company owned the Penrose Facility is set forth in the leases which are being provided herewith.
- During the period of time the Company operated at, but did not own, the Penrose landfill portion of the Penrose Facility, said portion was owned by Conrock, 3200 San Fernando Road, P.O. Box 2950 Los Angeles, California, 90051, (21'3)258-2777.

During the period of time the Company operated at, but did not own, the Hewitt Pit Facility, said Facility was owned by Conrock, 3200 San Fernando Road, P.O. Box 2950 Los Angeles, California, 90051, (21'3)258-2777.

To the extent located, the lease agreements between the Company and the respective property owners are provided.

- 22. The Company did not own the Hewitt Pit Facility. The Facility was owned by Conrock, 3200 San Fernando Road, P.O. Box 2950 Los Angeles, California, 90051. (21'3)258-2777 and was operated as a quarry by Conrock. The Company has not located information in its possession sufficient to enable it to further respond.
- 23. The owners of the Tuxford Facility prior and subsequent to the Company are as follows:

Pacific States Properties, Inc., The prior owners:

Helen M. Farrar, Justine S. Shelly and Emma J. Deacon

Graham Brothers, Incorporated John M. Brown and Nancy J. Brown James I. Holt and Mabel C. Holt

Subsequent owners: Gordon Donald Adlen, Sam Adlen and Annie A. Adlen

since March 7, 1967.

- Other than the purchase date and sale date of the Tuxford Facility, the Company has no information.
 - B. The Company has no information.
 - C. The Company has no information in its possession.
- D. The Company has no evidence that a hazardous substance, pollutant, or contaminant was released or threatened to be release at the Tuxford Facility during the period of prior or subsequent ownership or operation.

- 30. The Company has previously provided scaled maps which are part of the Solid Waste Assessment Tests previously provided. The extent of the Company's information is contained in the documents previously provided and in the additional documents provided herewith.
- 31. The Company is presently not aware of the existence of any such maps in its possession, custody or control.
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- 41. So far as it is known, copies of the requested information which is in the possession, custody or control of the Company have been or are provided herewith.
- 42. So far as it is known, copies of the requested information which is in the possession, custody or control of the Company not otherwise previously provided is provided herewith.
- 44. So far as it is known, the Company has no such information in its possession, custody or control.
- 45. So far as it is known, the information requested is contained in the documents previously provided and provided herewith.
- 46. A list of the insurance carriers, policy term, type and number which may afford coverage is being provided.
- 47. A list of the insurance carriers, policy term, type and number which may afford coverage is being provided.
- 48. A list of the insurance carriers, policy term, type and number which may afford coverage is being provided.
- 49. So far as it is known, other than permits for the operation of the landfills or sewer connections, the Company has not obtained any other waste discharge permits under any local, state, or federal environmental laws and regulations, including any waste discharge permits, such as national pollutant discharge elimination system permits.
- 53. Other than routine monthly trash service, the Company does not generate any waste streams at the Penrose Facility.

- 62. Other than normal landfill operations, and monthly trash service, the Company has not stored any wastes at the Penrose Facility for shipment or disposal.
- 65. There have been no leaks, spills or other releases into the environment of any hazardous substances or pollutants or contaminants that have occurred at or from the Penrose Facility.
- 74. There is no affiliation between the Company and Consolidated Rock Products Company and its predecessors and successors except for the leasing agreement and the purchase agreement of the Penrose landfill portion of the Penrose Facility. The lease and purchase agreement are being provided.

The foregoing information is based upon a diligent review of the Company's records in its possession and control.

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Re: Los Angeles By-Products Co. Claim of Privilege/ Cal Mat's FOIA Request for NHOU documents

Dear Mr. Massey:

We have conducted a review of the claim of privilege by Los Angeles By-Products Co. (LAByPro) with regard to their 104(e) responses to EPA's General Notice Letter dated April 25, 2006. Said responses are contained in letters dated May 31, 2006, June 14, 2006, June 28, 2006, and July 26, 2006, from Raul M. Montes, of Greenwald, Hoffman, Meyer & Montes, LLP, to Kim Muratore, U. S. EPA, Region 9, and the documents contained therewith. Said responses are contained in a total of 16 Volumes, and are tabbed and Bates numbered by page.

On behalf of LAByPro, this office, as attorneys for Los Angeles By-Products Co., does hereby release all of the claims for privilege for the following items contained in the attached Table of Contents:

- 1. Volumes 1-9 Landfill monitoring reports (page numbers 1-4500, tab numbers 1-79); groundwater monitoring reports and SWAT documents (page numbers 4784-5095, tab numbers 94-100)
- 2. Volume 10 we release (pages 5096-5248, tabs 1 & 2) and (pages 5316-5572, tabs 4 and 5).
 - 3. Volume 11 (SWATS and further groundwater reports) in its entirety;
- 4. Volume 12 we release all documents <u>except</u> Tab 23 at page 6705-6765.

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5. We release letters dated May 31, 2006, June 14, 2006, June 28, 2006, and July 26, 2006, from Raul M. Montes, of Greenwald, Hoffman, Meyer & Montes, LLP, to Kim Muratore, U. S. EPA, Region 9, except pages 6 through 11 of 15 of the letter dated July 26, 2006, from Raul M. Montes.

In sum, we continue to claim and assert privileges for the following documents set forth in LAByPro Table of Contents:

Volume 9

Pages 4501-4783 (tabs 80-93);

Volume 10

Pages 5249-5315 (tab 3);

Volume 12

Pages 6705-6765 (tab 23).

LAByPro bases its privilege claims on its General Objections to General Notice letter 104(e)), Claim of Confidentiality (p. 6-8 of LAByPro responses), LA By Products claims of confidentiality (pages 9-11).

The letter of July 26, 2006, pages 6-9 also remains privileged for the same reasons set forth in LAByPro response.

We are willing to discuss these privilege claims with you and/or directly with Mr. Ehrlich.

Very truly yours,

Lawrence F. Meyer

Greenwald, Hoffman, Meyer & Montes, LLP

cc: Kenneth Ehrlich, Esq. Kim Muratore, EPA

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Los Angeles By-Products Co. Claim of Privilege/ Re: Cal Mat's FOIA Request for NHOU documents

Dear Ms. Muratore:

This letter is in response to your telephone request of November 15, 2010, for clarification of the identity of the documents for which Los Angeles By-Products Co. (LAByPro) continues to claim privilege with regard to their 104(e) responses to EPA's General Notice Letter dated April 25, 2006, as set forth in my letter of November 10, 2010, to Michael Massey. Apparently, the confusion To clarify, we are claiming privilege of the following documents: 2109288

1. Pages 6-9 of 15 of the letter dated links of s, of Greenwald 11-11 results from the fact that the files which were provided to you were removed from the Volumes provided by LABP to the EPA in 2006.

- Montes, of Greenwald, Hoffman, Meyer & Montes, LLP, to Kim Muratore, U. S. EPA, Region 9, consisting of the Los Angeles By-Products Leases and the Los Angeles By-Products Insurance Information. This letter is not Bates numbered.
- Bates Numbered Pages 4501-4783 (these items are all various lease agreements);
- Bates Numbered Pages 5249-5315 (Geotechnical Investigation of the Proposed Strathern Sanitary Landfill);
- Bates Numbered Pages 6705-6765 (documents relating to the Landfill Gas Recovery System).

LAByPro also claims privilege of this letter to you dated November 16. 2010, to the extent that it identifies privileged documents, and bases its privilege Kim Muratore. November 16, 2010 Page 2 of 2

claims on its General Objections to General Notice letter 104(e)), Claim of Confidentiality (p. 6-8 of LAByPro responses), LA By Products claims of confidentiality (pages 9-11).

Very truly yours,

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cc: Michael Massey, Esq.



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December 9, 2010

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Re: Freedom of Information Act ("FOIA") Request 09-FOI-00460-10

Dear Mr. Meyer:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA" or "Agency") has received a request under the FOIA for a copy of a letter from your law firm dated July 26, 2006 which provides a response by Los Angeles By-Products Company to EPA's CERCLA Section 104(e) Information Request letter dated April 25, 2006. In a letter to EPA dated November 16, 2010 regarding the July 26, 2006 letter, you released portions of the July 26, 2006 letter from your previous claims of confidential business information ("CBI") and privilege, and continued to claim certain portions of the letter and attachments as confidential and privileged. You also claimed the November 16, 2010 letter which discusses privilege claims as privileged. In an email to you from EPA attorney Michael Massey dated December 1, 2010, you were notified that EPA does not recognize any privilege applicable to the November 16, 2010 letter because the letter is not a settlement document and does not contain any confidential business information. Before releasing the July 26, 2006 Section 104(e) response in its entirety, you are offered the opportunity to substantiate your claims of confidentiality and privilege in accordance with EPA policy.

If you wish to continue to claim certain portions of the July 26, 2006 response, identified as items 1-4 in your November 16, 2010 letter (as well as the November letter itself) as confidential and privileged, please answer the following questions for each item that you wish to claim as CBI and privileged:

- 1. For what period of time do you request that the information be maintained as confidential, e.g., until a certain date, until the occurrence of a specified event, or permanently? If the occurrence of a specific event will eliminate the need for confidentiality, please specify that event.
- 2. Information submitted to EPA becomes stale over time. Why should the information you claim as confidential be protected for the time period specified in your answer to question #1?

- 3. What measures have you taken to protect the information claimed as confidential? Have you disclosed the information to anyone other than a governmental body or someone who is bound by an agreement not to disclose the information further? If so, why should the information still be considered confidential?
- 4. Is the information contained in any publicly available material such as the Internet, publicly available databases, promotional publications, annual reports, or articles? Is there any means by which a member of the public could obtain access to the information? Is the information of a kind that you would customarily not release to the public?
- 5. Has any governmental body made a determination as to the confidentiality of the information? If so, please attach a copy of the determination.
- 6. For each category of information claimed as confidential, explain with specificity why release of the information is likely to cause substantial harm to your competitive position. Explain the specific nature of those harmful effects, why they should be viewed as substantial, and the causal relationship between disclosure and such harmful effects. How could your competitors make use of this information to your detriment?
- 7. Do you assert that the information is submitted on a voluntary or a mandatory basis? Please explain the reason for your assertion. If the business asserts that the information is voluntarily submitted information, please explain whether and why disclosure of the information would tend to lessen the availability to EPA of similar information in the future.
- 8. Any other issue you deem relevant (including, if pertinent, reasons why you believe that the information you claim to be CBI is not emission data or effluent data) and the specific basis for any claims of privilege in either the July 26, 2006 or November 16, 2010 letters.

Please note that you bear the burden of substantiating your confidentiality and privilege claims. Conclusory allegations will be given little or no weight in the determination. If you wish to claim any of the information in your response as confidential, you must mark the response "CONFIDENTIAL" or with a similar designation, and must bracket all text so claimed. Information so designated will be disclosed by EPA only to the extent allowed by, and by means of the procedures set forth in, 40 C.F.R. Part 2, Subpart B. If you fail to claim the information as confidential, it may be made available to the public without further notice to you.

Your comments must be postmarked or hand delivered to this office, or e-mailed to Mr. Massey at massey.michael@epa.gov, by the 15th working day after your receipt of this letter. You may seek an extension of time to submit your comments to this office, but the request must be made before the end of the 15-day period. Except in extraordinary circumstances, no extension will be approved. Failure to submit your comments within that time will be regarded as a waiver of your privilege and confidentiality claims, and EPA may release the information.

Should you have any questions concerning this matter, please call Mr. Massey at (415) 972-3034.

Sincerely,

Kim Muratore, Case Developer Cost Recovery & Case Development Section Superfund Division, EPA Region 9

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August 16, 2010

VIA EMAIL AND U.S. MAIL

Kelly Manheimer Site Manager, San Fernando Valley Superfund Site. North Hollywood Operable Unit Mail Code SFD71 75 Hawthorne Street San Francisco, CA 94105

> Re: Freedom of Information Act ("FOIA") Request: Correspondence with Los Angeles By-Products Company regarding the San Fernando Valley Superfund Site, North Hollywood Operable Unit ("NHQU")

Dear Ms. Manheimer:

On behalf of our client CalMat Co. dba Vulcan Materials Company, Western Division ("CalMat"), and pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act ("FOIA")(5 U.S.C. § 552, et seq.), we request copies of all non-privileged public records within the possession and/or control of the Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") in connection with the NHOU concerning or referencing the following:

 Any request for information submitted to Los Angeles By-Products Company at 4050 Katella Avenue, Los Alamitos, CA 90720 (or any other address) by the EPA or the Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board ("LARWQCB") pursuant to § 104(e) of CERCLA:

Any response from Los Angeles By-Products Company or its representative in response to any CERCLA § 104(e) request for information issued by the EPA or the LARWQCB;

Any and all other non-privileged information regarding the activities of Los Angeles By-

Any and all documents provided by Los Angeles By-Products Company regarding - WOULD BE IN operations or contamination within the NHOU;

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Any and all information provided by or on behalf of Honeywell Int'l Inc. ("Honeywell") Any and all information provided by or on behalf of Honeywell regarding additional - NOVE PRPs for contamination in the NHOU; and

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We look forward to your response. Please contact our office with any questions

Very Truly Yours,

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or concerns.

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Very Truly Yours,

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Fw: A FOIA Request for San Fernando Valley \$FUND site, ("NHOU")

Kim Muratore to: Kelly Manheimer, Michael Massey

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First, I've obtained a FOIA extension to the due date which is now going to be 9/28 (a week from next Tuesday). Next, the requestor, Neil Browner (whose client is CalMat dba Vulcan Materials Company), agreed to drop his requests that are in bullets numbers 3 & 4. He also agreed to modify his bullet #5 request to only asking for the list of facility names that Honeywell provided in its chart to us, and only those names which it lists on the chart as warranting facility memorandum be prepared (I think this is 9 of the 35 or so names on the chart). For bullet #6, Don Walsh of MWH is going to check with Honeywell's attorney to see if Honeywell is okay with us releasing copies of the memoranda (they aren't marked confidential but I called Don to check). For the last bullet, #7, Neil agreed that I would only provide the list of Hawker recommended names as a response to this question.

My questions for you, Mike, are these: (1) If Honeywell is okay with releasing copies of the facility memoranda, are you okay with us doing so? I don't see any reason not to, as long as we make it clear that we neither agree nor disagree with Honeywell's information; and (2) I wanted to make sure that you are okay with us releasing the names of the Hawker and Honeywell recommended parties/facilities. Again, I don't see a problem with doing so, but wanted to check in with you.

Kim Muratore, Case Developer (SFD-7-B)

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From: To: Kelly Manheimer/R9/USEPA/US
Kim Muratore/R9/USEPA/US@EPA
Michael Massey/R9/USEPA/US@EPA

Cc: Date:

08/31/2010 10:16 AM

Date. 06/31/2010 10.16 AM

Subject: Fw: A FOIA Request for San Fernando Valley \$FUND site, ("NHOU")

Hi, Kim:

New FOIA, from JMBM. It is mostly about PRP information, so can you please help out? Let's discuss on Thursday, and perhaps we can split it up?

Thanks!

Regards, Kelly Manheimer EPA, Superfund SFD-7-1 415-972-3290

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From:

Peter Tran/R9/USEPA/US

To:

Kelly Manheimer/R9/USEPA/US@EPA

Date:

08/31/2010 08:00 AM

Subject:

Re: A FOIA Request for San Fernando Valley \$FUND site, ("NHOU")

Good Morning Kelly--

Attached is the .tif file that came from the requestor that I have converted into Word format for you



Hope this helps!



Kelly Manheimer

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From:

Kelly Manheimer/R9/USEPA/US

To: Cc: Peter Tran/R9/USEPA/US@EPA
Leslie Owyang-Chin/R9/USEPA/US@EPA, Peter Tran/R9/USEPA/US@EPA

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Thanks!

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Peter Tran

A new FOIA Request has been entered into the...

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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT REQUESTS 09-F01-00460-10

Requestor: Neill Brower

Request Date: August 16, 2010

Date Received: August 23, 2010

Company: JMBM

Fee Category: Commercial

Subject: San Fernando Valley \$FUND site, ("NHOU")

Assigned To:

2010

Due Date: September 21,

R9-\$FUND

FIS:

Alita Green

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August 16, 2010

VIA EMAIL AND U.S. MAIL

Kelly Manheimer
Site Manager, San Fernando Valley Superfund Site,
North Hollywood Operable Unit
Mail Code SFD71
75 Hawthorne Street
San Francisco, CA 94105

Re: Freedom of Information Act ("FOIA") Request:
Correspondence with Los Angeles By-Products Company regarding the
San Fernando Valley Superfund Site, North Hollywood Operable Unit
("NHOU")

Dear Ms. Manheimer:

On behalf of our client CalMat Co. dba Vulcan Materials Company, Western Division ("CalMat"), and pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act ("FOIA")(5 U.S.C. § 552, et seq.), we request copies of all non-privileged public records within the possession and/or control of the Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") in connection with the NHOU concerning or referencing the following:

- Any request for information submitted to Los Angeles By-Products Company at 4050
 Katella Avenue, Los Alamitos, CA 90720 (or any other address) by the EPA or the Los
 Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board ("LARWQCB") pursuant to § 104(c) of
 CERCLA;
- Any response from Los Angeles By-Products Company or its representative in response to any CERCLA § 104(e) request for information issued by the EPA or the LARWOCB;
- Any and all other non-privileged information regarding the activities of Los Angeles By-Products Company within the NHOU;
- Any and all documents provided by Los Angeles By-Products Company regarding operations or contamination within the NHOU,

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November 10, 2010

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Office of the Regional Counsel
U.S. EPA Region 9, ORC-3
75 Hawthorne Street
San Francisco, CA 94105

Re: Los Angeles By-Products Co. Claim of Privilege/ Cal Mat's FOIA Request for NHOU documents

Dear Mr. Massey:

We have conducted a review of the claim of privilege by Los Angeles By-Products Co. (LAByPro) with regard to their 104(e) responses to EPA's General Notice Letter dated April 25, 2006. Said responses are contained in letters dated May 31, 2006, June 14, 2006, June 28, 2006, and July 26, 2006, from Raul M. Montes, of Greenwald, Hoffman, Meyer & Montes, LLP, to Kim Muratore, U. S. EPA, Region 9, and the documents contained therewith. Said responses are contained in a total of 16 Volumes, and are tabbed and Bates numbered by page.

On behalf of LAByPro, this office, as attorneys for Los Angeles By-Products Co., does hereby release all of the claims for privilege for the following items contained in the attached Table of Contents:

- 1. Volumes 1-9 Landfill monitoring reports (page numbers 1-4500, tab numbers 1-79); groundwater monitoring reports and SWAT documents (page numbers 4784-5095, tab numbers 94-100)
- 2. Volume 10 we release (pages 5096-5248, tabs 1 & 2) and (pages 5316-5572, tabs 4 and 5).
 - 3. Volume 11 (SWATS and further groundwater reports) in its entirety;
- 4. Volume 12 we release all documents <u>except</u> Tab 23 at page 6705-6765.

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5. We release letters dated May 31, 2006, June 14, 2006, June 28, 2006, and July 26, 2006, from Raul M. Montes, of Greenwald, Hoffman, Meyer & Montes, LLP, to Kim Muratore, U. S. EPA, Region 9, except pages 6 through 11 of 15 of the letter dated July 26, 2006, from Raul M. Montes.

In sum, we continue to claim and assert privileges for the following documents set forth in LAByPro Table of Contents:

Volume 9

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Pages 4501-4783 (tabs 80-93);

Volume 10

Pages 5249-5315 (tab 3);

Volume 12

Pages 6705-6765 (tab 23).

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LAByPro bases its privilege claims on its General Objections to General Notice letter 104(e)), Claim of Confidentiality (p. 6-8 of LAByPro responses), LA By Products claims of confidentiality (pages 9-11).

The letter of July 26, 2006, pages 6-9 also remains privileged for the same reasons set forth in LAByPro response.

We are willing to discuss these privilege claims with you and/or directly with Mr. Ehrlich.

Very truly yours

Lawrence F. Mever

Greenwald, Hoffman, Meyer & Montes, LLP

cc: Kenne

Kenneth Ehrlich, Esq. Kim Muratore, EPA

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